Resolution authorizing a one-year contract Between the City of Columbus, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, and the Franklin County Public Defender Commission (Public Defender) (\$1,117,041)

**WHEREAS**, the Franklin County Public Defender Commission contracts with the City of Columbus and the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to provide legal counsel for indigent defendants in the Franklin County Municipal Court at an estimated cost of \$4,103,405 in 2010 and

**WHEREAS**, for the purposes of the 2009 contract, it is estimated that approximately 56.79% of the City Unit cases, estimated to be \$2,330,324, will be related to indigent persons with misdemeanor criminal violations of state law and, therefore, will be the responsibility of Franklin County; and

**WHEREAS**, the costs of providing legal services to indigent persons with misdemeanor criminal violations of the Columbus City Codes pursuant to Section 12 of the Charter of the City of Columbus and Chapter 173 of the Columbus City Codes are estimated to be \$1,773,081; and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Defender Commission shall receive reimbursement of approximately 37% of these costs from the State Public Defender Commission with the balance of \$1,117,041 to be provided by the City of Columbus; and

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

That the attached contract between the City of Columbus, the Board of Franklin County Commissioners, and the Franklin County Public Defender Commission for indigent defense for fiscal year 2010 is hereby approved.

AGENCY CONTRACT AMOUNT
Franklin County Public Defender \$1,117,041
Total \$1,117,041

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cc: Commissioners-Finance Public Defender City of Columbus